WAKEFIELD SMOKE SIGNALS

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS
Tests & Events

Oct. 3 Reg. for PSAT/NMSQT begins.
Oct. 20 College Night 6:30 at W-L.
Oct. 22 PSAT/NMSQT Merit Scholarship Exam.
Nov. 5 SAT/ACH at Wakefield.
Nov. 7,8,9,10,11 Iowa Test of Education Development all Juniors tested.
Nov. 15 Deadline for Navy ROTC applications
Nov. 30 College applications should be in to colleges & request for transcripts given to Registrar.
Dec. 3 SAT/ACH test at Yorktown. Registration deadline: Oct. 23.

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PRELIMINARY SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST/NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

All 11th grade college bound students should take the PSAT.

The PSAT/NMSQT measures verbal and mathematical abilities important in college work. It is recommended that sophomores, juniors, and seniors who plan to continue their education beyond high school take this test. The PSAT/NMSQT is a shortened version of the SAT, and can be used to forecast performance on the SAT.

By taking the PSAT/NMSQT, students can enter the annual scholarship competition administered by NMSC - the NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM and the NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR OUTSTANDING NEGRO STUDENTS. Students who meetprogram eligibility requirements and who take the 1977 PSAT/NMSQT will be considered for recognition in these programs and for scholarships to be offered in 1979.

Any sophomore who is scheduled to graduate in 1979 should take this test if he wishes to be eligible for a NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP his freshman year in college.

Students must register for the PSAT/NMSQT by Oct. 4 thru Oct. 20 in the registrar's office in the Main Office at lunch. The test will be given from 8:30 to 11:30 in the Wakefield Cafeteria on Sat., Oct 22. The fee for the test is $4.00. Students will receive a booklet describing the test when they register.

SEMINAR PARTICIPANT

John Berlin has been selected to participate in the Freedom Foundation Seminar to be held at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania on November 3,4,5 and 6.

COLLEGE NIGHT

College Night will be held at W-L from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. 175 colleges have indicated they will participate. The first hour will be a browsing period for visiting stations and picking up materials desired. Following the first hour there will be three one-half hour sessions where students and parents can talk with a representative and get more extensive and detailed information. General financial aid information will also be available to any parents and students interested.

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COUNSELORS VISIT

Counselors recently visited all Government classes and discussed with seniors the following items: Preparation for entry jobs, initial steps and events; Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Tests Battery; College Night and College Board Tests. Counselors also visited U S History classes and talked to juniors about career plans and activities juniors should be engaged in during the year, such as the PSAT test in October and SAT testing in the spring.

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COUNSELORS ON THE MOVE

A number of days will be used by counselors in activities away from the Wakefield building. They will be involved with the ninth grade transition through visits to the junior high schools. In addition they will be working at the Career Center and involved with career related activities in the community.

Wakefield counselors have already met with the Director of Guidance from the three feeder junior high schools to discuss initial plans and suggested activities for the transition of the ninth grade to Wakefield.

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STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Angel Duke, Connie Fournier, Gina Gorlinski, Jean Harmon and Bill Lang participated in a student exchange program with Annandale High School on October 6.

Homecoming Dance
Oct. 29 Girls Gym
8-11 PM Sponsor Rho.

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BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1977

Back to School night for all Wakefield parents is an invitation for you to meet your PTA officers, committee men and most of all your children's principal and teachers.

Following a short business meeting you will attend classes listed on your child's schedule. A schedule should be brought home on October 14 by all students. If for any reason you do not have a schedule, there will be someone to assist you.

PTA Membership cards will be distributed in the LOBBY on BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT for all paid members and memberships will be on sale that night. The paid membership as of this date is 229. PARENTS - PLEASE! This is approximately 1/6% of the total enrollment of Wakefield. To have a more constructive school year we must have Parent Participation.

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PROPOSED PTA BUDGET 1977-78

INCOME

Balance brought forward	$ 71.46
Membership Dues*	675.00
Fund-raising Projects	304.00
	$1050.46

EXPENSES

State and National PTA dues*	$ 300.00
County Council of PTA*	35.00
Bulletin and Publicity (25 reams paper @$3.00)	75.00
Postage for 7 mailings	200.00
Permit fee	40.00
Scholarship award for Wakefield valedictorian**	100.00
Dictionaries for honor graduates	200.00
Hospitality	25.00
Contingency Fund	75.46
	$1050.46

* Based on last year's figures

** Last year's allocation went to a county scholarship fund for teachers.

WAKEFIELD PTA OFFICERS 1977-78

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FALL PLAY

On November 11, 12, 18 and 19, plan to see ARSENIC AND OLD LACE, Wakefield High School's outstanding fall production. So many of you in the Wakefield community and beyond have complained about not being informed about Wakefield's musicals and plays.

The place - Wakefield Auditorium

The deadline for requesting season tickets has been extended thru October 19. Let's get the auditorium filled!

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TEACHER RECOGNITION

Donald W. Stover, Wakefield mathematics teacher authored "Testing and Grading: Procedures for Improved Student Motivation," published in the September 1977 issue of the Mathematics Teacher.

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S.P.Q.R.

Wakefield's five delegates to the National Junior Classical League Convention held at Florida State University this summer returned with more than a tan. Teen classicists Sara Bearss, Robert Lin, Clark Lindgren, Chuck Martin and Ed Sims, students of Mrs. Sally Blair, brought back twenty-two places in national contests. Among these were six national first. Four were by Ed Sims for his art work, and two were won by Sara Bearss in reading comprehension and dramatic reading. SPQR is avidly planning its upcoming year. Plans include an interschool Saturnalia to be held in December.

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